



# Volunteer Vision

Monthly Newsletter of the City of Eau Claire Volunteers

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## Coordinator's Corner

It's almost time for our city's new fall community service event scheduled on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, **Make A Difference Day Eau Claire**. This will be the first year the city has joined USA Today's national event, Make A Difference Day, the largest day of volunteering in the nation.

**Make A Difference Day Eau Claire will require many volunteers.** We have areas of the city that require clean up. We also have 5 elderly/disabled families that need help getting their homes ready for winter. At Boyd Park that day, we will be making cards for the inpatients at Mayo Health Systems Eau Claire as well as collecting non-perishable food items for the Feed My People Food Bank. Blankets from Operation Blanket Eau Claire are being delivered to our seven participating agencies on Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

I would also like to thank the event sponsors: Mayo Health Systems Eau Claire, Volume One and Erbert & Gerbert's on Water Street.

**I hope to see many of you at Make A Difference Day. This is going to be a wonderful event. Contact me for more information and a registration form.**

Enjoy the beautiful fall weather!

With regards,

*Teri-Gene*

## Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities



The Recreation Department is looking for volunteers to help out with a new event on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, **Glow Ride**. This event is for all Eau Claire cyclists, bicyclists and tricyclists to join us for a leisurely evening glow-in-the-dark ride across Eau Claire. The ride will start at 8PM at the Hobbs Ice Center Parking Lot, so we are asking our volunteers to be arriving at 6:30PM for course set up. Volunteers are needed to direct riders throughout the course and then assist with race clean up when it's done. Please feel free to contact the Volunteer Coordinator for more information.



**The Chippewa Valley Railroad** is looking for help to maintain the railroad rolling stock, locomotives, buildings, and grounds. We have all kinds of jobs requiring a fairly wide range of skills. Those wishing to learn are welcome, as we have many experienced railroaders who are eager to teach! We think working at the CVRR is the best volunteer job in the state!!

Some examples of workers needed:

1. Painters
2. Carpenters
3. Electricians
4. Pneumatic specialists
5. Track workers
6. Mechanics (internal combustion and steam)
7. Masons
8. Labors
9. General helpers

The CVRR meets monthly at the Chippewa Valley Museum on the first Tuesday evening of the month from 6:45 p.m. until 8: p.m. There is usually a crew working on Sunday afternoons at the railroad depot from noon until four.

On one day each year, USA Today wants to inspire the nation to make a difference.  
Make A Difference Day is the largest single-day of volunteering in the country.



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**Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**9AM-1PM**

**Volunteer celebration to follow at Boyd Park with food and raffle prizes**

- **Clean up our city's parks and trails**
- **Help our elderly citizens ready their homes for winter**
- **Create cards for inpatients at Mayo Health Systems Eau Claire (at Boyd Park)**
- **Collecting non-perishable food items for Feed My People Food Bank (at Boyd Park)**
- **Delivering blankets to local agencies made during Operation Blanket Eau Claire**

**For questions or to volunteer, contact the City of Eau Claire's Volunteer Coordinator at [Teri-Gene.Conlin@eauclairewi.gov](mailto:Teri-Gene.Conlin@eauclairewi.gov) or call 715-839-8285.**

**Volunteer registration forms may be found at <http://eauclairewi.gov/departments/recreation-services/parks/volunteers>**

# Volunteers Needed!



Plan now to join us for the Clearwater Winter Parade and Family Fun Celebration on Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. This evening event will need volunteers for the parade as well as the Family Fun Celebration at Hobbs Ice Arena afterwards. For more information and volunteer positions available, contact Teri-Gene Conlin, City of Eau Claire Volunteer Coordinator at 715-839-8285 or by email at [Teri-Gene.Conlin@eauclairewi.gov](mailto:Teri-Gene.Conlin@eauclairewi.gov).

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